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SUBJ: SOUTH AFRICAN CREDENTIALS

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1. SOUTH AFRICAN FONMIN MULLER HAS WITHDRAWN AS GENERAL DEBATE
SPEAKER FOR SEPT 30, AND A SOUTH AFRICAN WILL NOT SPEAK DURING UN
GENERAL DEBATE. BRITISH TELL US THAT IN OFF-THE-RECORD
DISCUSSION WITH SOUTH AFRICAN PRESS, LATE SEPT 26,
MULLER DESCRIBED ACTION AS OCCASIONED BY ANTICIPATED
DIFFICULTIES OVER CREDENTIALS, EXPRESSING HIS HOPE THAT
HE WOULD ALLEVIATE PROBLEM BY THIS STEP. AT BRIEFING,
MULLER REPORTEDLY DIRECTED ATTENTION OF UN TO NATIONAL PARTY
DECISION RE NAMIBIA. FURTHER, HE SAID THAT SOUTH AFRICA
WOULD CONTINUE TO PARTICIPATE IN UN COMMITTEES.

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2. COMMENT: MOVE OBVIOUSLY THROWN INTO QUESTION AF GROUP'S STRATEGY CONCERNING SOUTH AFRICAN CREDENTIALS. FULL-DAY MEETING OF AFRICAN GROUP SEPTEMBER 26 BROUGHT AGREEMENT TO PURSUE STEPS WHICH WOULD BRING QUESTION TO SC, BUT MULLER WITHDRAWAL MAY SEND GROUP BACK TO DRAWING BOARD OVER TIMING.

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